



St Paul's
CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Live Marking An Introduction for Parents September 2026



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CHALLENGE



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At St Paul's our aim is to create:

Classrooms that have every pupil **actively** learning and **participating**

Classrooms with a balance between **adaptation** and high **expectation**

Classrooms **alive** with enthusiasm and passion and where subject **scholarship** is nurtured

Classrooms that **buzz** with learning and have **talk** at the heart of them.



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Our Teaching and Learning focus for 2026/27 ...

Ensure
students
practise to
improve
and
embed



CHALLENGE

Circulate
and conduct
live
marking



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Provide
sharply
focused
developmental
feedback

What is Live Marking?

- Live marking is an educational strategy where teachers evaluate and provide feedback on student work in real time while a lesson is in progress.
- The teacher circulates around the classroom, giving students instant praise and prompts so they can immediately improve their work in the moment.
- It allows teachers to immediately adapt the lesson in response to the needs of the class.

Why Live Marking and Feedback?

- Students receive immediate verbal feedback – students respond in the moment
- The frequency of feedback is more regular and therefore more digestible.
- Teachers get to know their students and their individual needs quickly and in a more detailed way.
- It develops and deepens student/staff dialogue and communication
- It build pupils' independence, especially when writing at length.
- Students increasingly take responsibility for their own progress



Improving the Quality of Education at St. Paul's.....

- Live verbal feedback will happen frequently.
- Teachers will use **pink** highlighters to identify positive aspects of a student's work.
- Teachers will use **green** highlighters to identify areas for improvement.
- Teachers will write in **green** pen if they wish to pose a question or make a comment
- Students will respond in **purple** pen



What it looks like in the classroom:

- Teachers will circulate during extended activities and will work with an individual student to discuss their work.
- Some classrooms will have hot desks or intervention tables for individual students to move to during live marking.
- Live marking will involve an in-depth discussion about the work in front of the teacher and the student.
- The students will respond to the advice and guidance given by the teacher immediately.
- Students will not experience individual live marking every lesson.



The impact we expect:

- Live marking will help us get to know students and their needs better.
- Staff have more information to help them plan the next steps in learning and to pre-plan support for students.
- It will build better relationships and student motivation as students are doing more work in lessons.
- We are confident that this will accelerate student progress.

Provide
support and
intervention
to promote
inclusion
and
belonging

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Adjust
learning
to meet
the need
of every
child